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FRUIT GROWERS IN CONVENTION

Adams County Fruit Growers in Interesting, Instructive and Entertaining Session in their Hall. The Addresses.

With Fruit Growers' Hall tendersville, filled at every session the sixth annual convention of the Fruit Growers' Association of Adams County held this week

The first session was held on Wednesday afternoon. The president's address was made by Robert M. Elden and Josiah Pritchet told of the work of the association during the past year as indicated by the minutes.

"Lime-Sulphur Preparations for the Summer Spray for Apple Scab" was the subject of an instructive talk by Prof. W. M. Scott, Pathologist in Charge of Fruit Disease Investigation, Bureau of Fruit Industry, Department of Agriculture," Washington. The other address of the afternoon was by Hon. S. L. Ingram, Secretary of the Virginia Fruit Growers' Association, Virginia, whose subject was "Successful Orcharding in Virginia." Mr. Ingram told in an entertaining way of the work of the successful orchardists in the southern state.

The evening entertainment was attended by a crowded house. Mrs. Nellie McCarrell of the Women's Collect, Frederick, was the reader and gave a number of much enjoyed selections. The Gettysburg Band furnished music during the evening.

On Thursday Dr. H. P. Gould, Pomologist in charge of Fruit District Investigations, Bureau of Fruit Industry, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., spoke interestingly about the management of orchards. The other address of the day was by J. A. Cahill, manager of the Tomslowa Orchard Company, Hendersonville, North Carolina, whose subject was Irrigation, Preparing the Land and Planting a Commercial Apple Orchard."

At Thursday afternoon's session of the Fruit Growers' convention in Bendersville the following were elected by Mr. H. P. Gould, of the Department of Agriculture, Washington, who gave some comments about important varieties of apples. Many of those grown in Adams County and others which might be successfully tried here.

Mr. Gould spoke of the manner in which the soil of the orchard determines enter into the growing of different varieties. The soil's composition and synonyms of different varieties in the United States and Canada, 6,700 total varieties and 310 recommended for planting.

Mr. Gould named among the varieties which he considered profitable to raise in Adams County, Ben Davis, Yellow Transparent, Smokehouse, Wealthy, Grimes Golden, Rambo, Winesap, York Imperial and Jonathan, all these are familiar to local growers. Varieties which Mr. Gould considers very good yet to which there is some objection either to the size or quality of the fruit are the Arkansas, the tree are the Dutchess, Summer Rambo, Williamson and Red. He said that he thought it would be worth while experimenting with the Delicious, King David, Doctor, N. C. Pippens, Member and Albon.

Mr. Samuel Hoffman, orchardist of the Yew Tree Farm, Gassaway, New York, talked on "Modern Orchard Management." The orchards with which he is connected own 1,000 acres and on 55 acres of this 5000 was expended last year for spray, fertilizer and care. Mr. Fraser said that he was satisfied with results of his experiments by putting a mixture of soap and water on the trees in the spring and allowing it to run down on the roots. He plants only roots grown in his own peninsula's rye, crimson clover and cow peas. Basic slag is used as a fertilizer.

In raising apples all the pruning is done the first year, the trees start to bear the fourth and by the sixth or seventh year are ready to take apples from a tree. This statement aroused considerable interest among the fruit growers. Mr. Fraser told of the care of pear blight and said he kept them in profitable bearing until they were 18 to 16 years old. The best white peach he declared is the Bella of Georgia. It matures in special season as soon as the frost is out of the ground.

DEVINE SUED FOR $4000.00

Conewago Township Resident Sues William P. Devine for Injuries Alleged to have been Received in Automobile Accident.

J. Wilson Neal, of Conewago township has brought suit against William P. Devine, of Hanover, to recover $4,000 damages, and Samuel Murray, of the same township, has brought a similar suit to recover $1,000 for injuries alleged to have been sustained in an automobile accident on the home of S. L. Johns on the Hanover and Gettysburg road on the night of the night of August 13.

The accident, through their autoney, W. C. Heisly, Esq., allege that they were driving at a moderate rate of speed on the right side of the road when the automobile of the defendant driven by their vehicle, having failed to display two lights visible two hundred feet ahead and failing to operate its automobile so as not to cause fright to horses, and horses and other persons lawfully using the highway.

Mr. Neal alleges that he was violently thrown from his conveyance and dragged by the automobile for a distance forty feet, that he was cut in the eye and was severely injured in the back and shoulder, that his shock and the muscles and nerves of his back were injured, and that he suffered from the "consequence whereof the plaintiff was confined to his bed and has become and will be permanently injured" entitling him to the recovery of damages.

Mr. Murray alleges that he was dragged thirty or forty feet, that he was severely bruised and cut about his hips and ankles were injured, his arm was broken, his back was severely lacerated and that he has been totally disabled and will be permanently disfigured as a farmer. He also alleges that he has been to his horse and damage to his carriage.

ROMANCE BLIGHTED

A case of love at first sight quickly followed by a blighted romance, with a melodramatic elopement with pursuit by irate parents, and a happy ending for everyone, had its ending in the York county court, when Miss Ella Bentz, charged with desertion and non-support by her husband, Harry Bentz, of Dillsburg, of Hanover, was ordered to pay $3 per week for the care of the child. The couple met last summer when Miss Bentz was playing at a Hanover resort while home and although Miss Wilson, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wilson, was but sixteen years old, immediately was away from home and parents and began living together two weeks to see her sweetheart who resided to the home in Philadelphia. She afterwards lived with him for a time in the mother's home, but he then told her he would not support her any more. Mrs. Hollie Wilson, of Hanover, was ordered to pay the costs of the case, $15.

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HUNT BY FALL

George E. Gotwald, the York steam roller manufacturer, has been entertaining injuries which will confine him to his home for several weeks to the ground and criticised coolly.

The entertainment Thursday evening was given by the Rev. Mr. Hoffman, Rev. Mr. Sender, of Hershberg, and the Gettysburg Band. The entertainment of Thursday was greatly enjoyed by a large audience.

This morning Mr. Cahill talked on "Potato Growing in Young Orchards" which was followed by a talk by Mr. Fraser on believes potato growing could be carried on in young orchards for several years without hurting the trees, that the trees would have to be ploughed to a depth of about eleven inches and that the potatoes would not appear soon that the entire potato crop would be worth. He left the matter open. No subject was Mr. Cahill's own judgment.

The other address of the morning was by Mr. Cahill who told in an interesting manner of the management of 700 acre orchard for a year.

HOUSE BURNS IN FIRE OIL STARTS

Residence Near Blue Ridge Summit Burns from Results of Trouble with a Coal Oil Lamp. Neighbors Fight the Flames.

The property of Charles Seiler, of Blue Ridge Summit, was destroyed by fire shortly after 7 o'clock Thursday evening.

The catastrophe was caused by the explosion of a coal oil lamp. The lamp burst the burning oil was splashed over the floor of the building, which was of frame, about 16x20 feet dimensions.

Before the fire could be checked the room was enveloped in flames. Word was soon spread to the roof and scatter of the building. An alarm was sounded and the Blue Ridge Summit fire department responded.

The fire people assembled in a short time and assisted in fighting the conflagration. So said did they work that they saved adjoining buildings. The residence, however, was destroyed high wind prevented them from saving the burning structure.

Little furniture and few other articles in the boiler property was saved.

Mr. Seiler, the owner of the property, has a son who is still in the Montelair.

The amount of the scarcity of water the fire was extremely hard to fight. The wife of Mr. Seiler and the water had was carried from the cellar of the property on Thursday.

OLD FASHIONED DANCE

An old fashioned country dance was held Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Swope, near Cashtown. The following were present:

Mr. and Mrs. James Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Chem Hewtman, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Swope, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kaller, Mr. and Mrs. James Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. John Dodd, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Bream, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hartman, Mr. and Mrs. David Berring, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Swope, Mr. and Mrs. Harry O'Brien, Sadie Rife, Ernest Miller, Mrs. Elizabeth Rife, Mrs. Ida Kelley, Steve Cook, Mae Boyd, Hope Hartman, Mrs. Edward Swope, Mrs. Harry Hartman, Clyde Andrew, George Bigham, Wilbur Bishop, Pamela Dodd, Lawrence Trostle Rolla Moore, John Bitner, Clara Moore, Mrs. Harry Hartman, Mrs. Ellen Mc-Glaughlin, Bertha Mellott, Harry Andrew, Mrs. Harry Andrew, Harper Stover, Grace Bitner, Cleo Hostar, Gertrude Hostar, Mrs. Harry Hostar, Carbaugh, Guy Guyer, Blanche Coon, Mrs. Edward Swope, Mrs. Edward Dodd, Zella Minter, Alda Frost, Gertrude Frost, Mrs. Edward Kelley, Steve Cook, Mae Boyd, Hope Hartman, Mrs. Edward Swope, Mrs. Harry Hartman, Clyde Andrew, George Bigham, Wilbur Bishop, Pamela Dodd, Lawrence Trostle Rolla Moore, John Bitner, Clara Moore, Mrs. Harry Hartman, Mrs. Ellen McGlaughlin, Bertha Mellott, Harry Andrew, Mrs. Harry Andrew, Harper Stover, Grace Bitner, Cleo Hostar, Gertrude Hostar, Mrs. Harry Hostar, Carbaugh, Guy Guyer, Blanche Coon, Mrs. Edward Swope, Mrs. Edward Dodd, Zella Minter, Alda Frost, Gertrude Frost, Mrs. Edward Kelley, Sandy, Jennie Donaldson, Mabel Donaldson, Mrs. Sadie Rife, Mrs. Ernest Miller, Howard Cook, Dorsey Reiter, Ruth Donaldson, Mrs. Ida Kelley, Mrs. Ruth Balsley, Rose Boyd, Adam Diehl, Mrs. Adam Diehl, Mrs. Harry Bittinger, Allen Waltze, John Moore, Mrs. Harry Moore, Mrs. Edward Swope, Mrs. Sadie Balsley, Dale Bittinger, Mrs. Harry Bittinger, Gertrude Martin, James McGlaughlin, Nellie Boyd, Dorsey Martin, Blanche Kelley, Mrs. Edward Swope, Mrs. Jennie Bissmie Stasely, John Balsley, Grace Boyd, Mrs. Harry Boyd.

CLOTHING CARROT FROM SPARKS

Mrs. Charles Flickinger, made a narrow escape from a serious burning accident Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Flickinger, R. A. Sell, living between Gettysburg and Littlestown on route 1.

Mrs. Flickinger was standing near the fire place in the combishee when her clothing caught fire from sparks from brette, ignited her clothing. The prompt action of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Sell, in dashing a bucket of water on her prevented her from being burned to death.

Mrs. Flickinger was alone when the fire broke out. Mrs. Sell, who is a sister-in-law of Mrs. Flickinger, was in the kitchen. A few minutes after the accident occurred Mrs. Flickinger became excited, and was unable to control herself. Mrs. Sell, living between Gettysburg and Littlestown on route 1.

WORK AGAINST LINCOLN WAY

New Scheme would Provide Two Million Dollar Appropriation for a Monument in Washington. Lincoln Way Friends to the Rescue.

The latest plan to defeat the Lincoln Way project is in the shape of a bill for a two million dollar monument to the martyr president in Washington. A dispatch from the Capitol City says:

Washington, Dec. 14.—A national memorial to Abraham Lincoln, to be erected in Washington at a cost of $2,000,000, is proposed in a bill introduced in the house today by Mr. Lenroot.

The bill names a permanent commission, to consist of President Taft, Senators Wetmore, of Rhode Island, and Sutner, of Bloomfield; Representatives McCall, of Massachusetts; and Champ Clark, of Missouri. The sum of $2,000,000 is to be immediately available under the bill.

The plan to purchase an enormously large tract of land in Washington and erect upon it a monument to the martyr president by the originators and friends of the project for another highway between Washington and Gettysburg.

Thus a gigantic fight will again be put up for the big memorial road upon which Lincoln's body will be hauled the monument project will meet early defeat but the fight for the Lincoln way will again get favorable consideration.

The plan for the Lincoln Way provides for a monument to the martyr or more dollars more than the monument bill. The Lincoln Way would be as far different as that of a monument to Lincoln's memory as the Gettysburg address is scarcely worthy of consideration.

LAST DAY FOR RABBITS

Wednesday was the last day of the lawful season for killing rabbits in Adams county. Many sportsmen and the law persons possessing rabbits will be allowed to kill rabbits and retain the same for a period of 60 days from the date of the close of the season during that period. Rabbits were plentiful throughout the entire open season than for some years, the scarcity of rabbits being due to the fact, many rabbits have escaped the hunters and a sufficiently large number have been left to increase the supply of rabbits until next season.

The Gettysburg game left few hunters sore in heart, sleek birds, down and feathers flying. The season has killed until April 15 and the season for the hunter variation will close on January 1.

ICE FOR DOMESTIC

About 6 o'clock Monday night a fresh was noted 16 by 60 feet in size owned by T. H. Wemer, of New Oxford, on the Conewago Creek, in Hamilton, other with a lot of tools and machinery, narrowly escaped being lost.

The fire, it is supposed, originated from a defective flue adjoining the building, which stood on the bank of the Conewago Creek, about two New Oxford cemetery. This boiler was used for the purpose of generating ice from the creek to the ice house, one fourth of which was recently filled at the time the fire occurred. The fire spread to the roof of the building but was taken in a short time.

The loss is only partly covered by insurance.

SCHOOL REPORT

Following is the report of Chosen Land Grammar School, Grade 7, Grace Plank, teacher, for month ending, Nov. 11, 1910. Number enrolled 24, average attendance 16; per cent. of attendance 67; number of visits by every day during the month were: Mary Boops, Reba Gordon, Esther Hoke, Helen Hoke, Ruth Hoke, Miss Clara Hoffman, Harold Carbaugh, Lott Hetkenstaine, and Helen Drain each missed one day.

PROPERTIES SOLD

W. T. Ziegler, attorney-in-fact for Charles A. Plank, has sold his double frame dwelling house on Carlisle Fire-fly street to Mrs. Emma Annan. Terms private. Also at attorney-in-fact, he has sold for Dr. J. G. Pickel, to Mr. Harriman Spangler, property in Arendtsville to D. U. Miller. Terms private.

WINTER CAR TO ARRIVE SOON

Gettysburg Company has had Car on the Way for Several Weeks. Operate at Big Loss in the Winter Months.

The winter car will be run on the local trolley road Mr. Turney has ordered it a month or more ago from the Kimira Street Railway Company. For several years the bill of lading has been in the local office of the Philadelphia and Reading but no trace of the car could be found.

Finally after nearly two years and from a number of different places it was found at Rupert, a transfer point, where the car had been sent several weeks owing to the fact that it was too high to send through several bridges between that point and Reading.

The car has now been sent around by another way through Allentown and is expected here in several days. It will be run on regular schedule.

It is a closed vestibuled car and will be heated inside, proving a convenient and comfortable method of transportation.

The car is run entirely as an accommodation to the public as the total receipts during the winter months day have never exceeded eighty cents

KICKED ON HEAD BY MOOSE

Jumping from a lean during a runaway in York Thursday afternoon, Mrs. Harry Cook, of Cross Roads, a few of near East Berlin, was kicked in the head by a moose, which was in the position of the fractured, and Clara Hartman, of Dillsburg, were injured, but recently escaped being run over when the horses plunged into Codorus Creek. The wood, which was lear inches in width, required several stitches to close.

The accident occurred near a Western Maryland railroad crossing. Grove accompanied by a man named Clark, were driving along the road. Frightened at a shifting engine the horses plunged into the Codorus Creek. The animals, dragging the wagon by the tongue, broke away from it and jumped from the wagon and falling into the creek. Mrs. Cook was thrown to the bottom of the horse's heads. Finally the animals broke away from the wagon, swam to the bleachers. The horses were unharmed and the goods were secured. Burgher, who remained in the wagon, was uninjured.

LOTS OF CHRISTMAS MONEY

A sum of money estimated between $2,000 and $10,000 will be paid out by Christmas savings fund, established one year ago by the Carlisle Trust Company. The number of depositors among about 1,500 young and old people. The fund is the result of thrift and vicinity, sending into many homes much Christmas money.

These funds were created by individuals depositing a few cents each week weekly payments of from one to fifteen cents. Some depositors have paid in the first multiple thereof, until the last week before Christmas, when the funds are paid out.

Many of the depositors have made a great many people to have a good time for the Christmas season.

MRS. MATTIE J. WINT

Mrs. Mattie J. Wint, daughter of the late David Wolf, and wife of Jacob Bushler, of this place, died at the Harney Hospital in Harney, Carroll county, Wednesday afternoon from chronic Bright's Disease, aged 56 years.

Deceased was born in the Deo Nolans Saturday afternoon. The body was brought to Gettysburg and interred in Evergreen Cemetery.

WOMAN BREAKS LEG

Mrs. Abraham Warner, of Straban street, fell in her home on Thursday evening sustaining a fracture of one of the bones of the lower limb and a dislocated ankle. Mrs. Warner was walking across the floor when she suddenly gave way. Dr. R. L. Diehl is the attending physician.

PURCHASES PROPERTY

Mrs. Ester has purchased on private sale from Mrs. Mary Hoffman, property in Arendtsville to D. U. Miller. Terms private.

FARMERS AHEAD OF DR. KALBFUS

Preserve and Feed Quail Long Before State Dilicit Issues Request that Game Birds be Protected. His Statement.

Several Adams County farmers did not need the request of State Game Commissioner Kalbfus to start their feeding and caring for quail. At different places in the county farmers feed quail and care for them so that the birds are supposed more plentiful. Snowfoot is raised for some and the birds are thought by the remarks.

Mr. Kalbfus is sending his appeal broadcast for the quail says:

"Winter has come earlier than usual and there are many more reported in many counties. This means that the season of real hard for the quail are to be restricted for a longer period than usual.

"If we have a vigorous winter it may wipe out the little game birds in many sections of the State and I hope the sportsmen will see to it that they will do what they can to feed the birds. Thanks to the intelligent cooperation of quail the last few years we have had splendid seasons and have been able to many hunters. Now let the hunters turn to and arrange means whereby food can be had for the quail abound. The quail do not go off into the mountains in the fall, but they are right among us. Why not feed them and save them? The Game Commission has been unable to stop the State Capitol and within three miles of Harrisburg, where the game might be sold of other cities. The sportsmen of the State have been unable to enforce the game laws because of the lack of funds. Up to Lawrence I have a small fund which I use to feed out where quail can get it. Will you help me?

"The farmers ought to do more to keep quail alive. The farmer gets the benefit of the quail. He increases the quail eat up insects which if unchecked will destroy his crops. His crops before he could get ready to fight the insects. Let the farmers of Bear Val White,' too Screenings, wheat with the quail. The birds will be kept of grain will do and the farmers' boys will have more sport with the birds at it. You can bet the boys know where the birds are and the birds feed the quail this winter, and it promises to be cold, we will have fine hunting again in the fall."

BORAL NOTES

Carrier Tax women to thank Jacob and John Bowers for a fine dressing. George L. McConnell and R. C. Bowers for a fine load of chestnuts.

Mrs. Worley Bodkin and daughter, Miss Ethel, spent Sunday with friends in Littlestown.

Mr. Bair—Gander's sale on route 15 was very well attended.

Mrs. David Riley spent two weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Ritter near Littlestown.

The following spent Thursday with John D. Riley, J. C. Steinmeyer and family, Mrs. Lizzie Bair, Littlestown Valley, Mr. and Mrs. Rose Ambers, Mr. and Mrs. Ritter, Mr. Riley and children, Jacob and Joseph, of Gettysburg.

HARRY SHAFFNER

Harry Shaffner died at Hanover, Tuesday, December 13, after a brief illness. He was aged 40 years.

He is survived by his wife and three daughters. Mr. Shaffner was a son in-law of Mrs. Wm. Bowers, of Littlestown.

Funeral Friday afternoon. Interment at Hanover.

OBITUARY

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Gruber, of Bal Air, Md., have issued the invitations for the marriage of their daughter, Miss Mary A. Gruber to Jacob E. Bowers, resident of this place, on Monday, Dec. 26, 1910.

HELD TURKEY SUPPER

Gettysburg Arctic Fraternal Order of Eagles on Thursday evening held a turkey supper and sandaler in their house on Chambersburg street. A fairly slightly monsters enjoyed the evening.

Mrs. Mary Brough, Mrs. A. G. Gardner, Mrs. J. M. Danner, Mrs. L. Ernst, Mrs. G. W. Harbaugh and Mrs. Ernest Miller spent Thursday afternoon with G. E. Jacobs' family.

That Cold Room

on the side of the house where winter blasts strike hardest always has a lower temperature than the rest of the house. There are times when it is necessary to raise the temperature quickly or to keep the temperature up for a long period. That can't be done by the regular method of heating without great trouble and overheating the rest of the house. The only reliable method of heating such a room alone by other means is to use a

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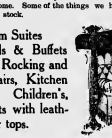

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Twenty Five Sticks of Dynamite Exploded Near Blue Ridge Summit. Man has Clothes Torn off but is only Slightly Hurt.

Tossed only a little less than a dozen feet by an explosion of twenty-five sticks of dynamite, his coat torn almost to shreds and his clothing stripped off in the throes, with the remainder in positive rags, Adam Adelsberger, 50 years old, with all this to have sustained no serious injuries, was the very unusual and the inexplicable experience of David Adelsberger near Blue Ridge Summit on Tuesday.

Mr. Adelsberger, who lives in Waynesboro, was employed on the grading for the extension of the trolley from Fox Mar to Blue Ridge Summit. About four o'clock Friday afternoon, some dynamite was set off, and before a fire to be thawed out. The dynamite exploded, just as Adelsberger was walking away from the fire. There was a terrific explosion and for a distance or about one of his fire for concussion was tremendous. Men some of debris on every side, in the air and houses.

Adelsberger fared much worse. He was hurled almost a dozen feet away and fainted about his body.

Strangest of all the features of the accident was the manner in which Adelsberger was robbed of his clothing.

The terrific vibrations almost stripped his trousers from his legs, tore his coat into shreds, depoiled his derby hat of its crown and possibly a lot of small particles of gravel and dirt into portions of his body. His trousers were cut off at the knees and above the knees they were almost in shreds.

One of the strangest pranks of the concussion was that it ripped a pair of gloves from the end of the gauntlet down to his little finger and did not injure his hand in the least.

It was a very disheveled man the workmen picked up from the ground and it was a surprise to them that he breathed but a short time after they got to him. He had, wonderfully, escaped death or, as it was determined, with even serious injuries. He was, for a little while, unconscious.

He was carried on a stretcher to a trolley car at Fox Mar and hurried to Waynesboro.

An examination by a surgeon showed that the back of his legs, from hips down to ankles, had been filled with minute particles of gravel and sand.

All the old possible was promptly given but the surgeon was suffering intensely. His injuries are not serious.

The exact manner in which the explosion occurred is not known. It is probable, however, that Adelsberger, who is the dynamite for the extension of work, had a box of caps sitting near the fire, that the heat exploded the caps and their concussion set off the dynamite.

Adelsberger was without fear in handling dynamite and wondered at the things which were reckless in their nature.

TAKES TRACT OF 5000 ACRES

Prof. J. E. Benner has gone to the "Sunny South." He will locate in Southern Georgia, where he will engage in colonizing a large tract of land. His holdings comprise about 5000 acres in Southern Georgia and North Florida a region noted for its fine peaches, lemons, oranges and excellent climate and fertile soil.

Mr. Benner will associate himself with Prof. C. W. Waughtel, formerly of York. Both for several years known in South Georgia and Florida as a successful colonizer. Mr. Benner's friends wish him success in his new undertaking.

MISS MART C. McALLISTER

Miss Mary Catherine McAllister died on Friday evening at 5.30 at her home in Cumberland township, aged 77 years, 8 months and 18 days.

Miss McAllister was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James McAllister and lived at the old home place, McAllister's Mill, all of her life. The following children and sisters survive: Theodore, of Gettysburg; Calvin B., of Kansas; Samuel, Agnes and Martha, all at home.

The Funeral was held at ten o'clock on Monday from her late home and was conducted by her pastor, Rev. B. W. Woods. Interment was made in Evergreen cemetery.

CHEAP POWDER

The property of the John McCullough heirs in Liberty township, consisting of one and a half acres and a two story log house was sold at Sheriff's sale on Saturday for $30.00.

FARM SOLD

Frank Averill has sold the Raphael Fissel farm in Mt. Joy township, to Daniel Hiser, of Round Top. Consideration $1800.

DEMONSTRATION IN FACE OF SNOW

State Orchardists Hold Inspection and Demonstration in Orchard of Mrs. Weaver Near New Oxford. Other Dats.

Cyrus T. Fox of Reading a lecturer and demonstrator of the Department of Agriculture, on Monday afternoon held an orchard meeting at the premises of Mrs. Weaver, 1 1-2 miles west of New Oxford, where he was assisted by H. F. Dorcas, of York, one of the State Orchard Inspectors.

It although at this season of the year, with nearly a foot of snow on the ground. It is not expected that many persons will attend a meeting in the open air to receive instruction in regard to the pruning and spraying of trees, nevertheless the officials of the Department of Agriculture deem it their duty to get out the state, and during the past two weeks meetings have been in progress in every county in Pennsylvania. The present series will end on Saturday, the 11th inst.

At the meeting in the home or orchard on Monday afternoon, a number of the people of the immediate vicinity were in attendance. Several apple trees were pruned by Mr. Dorcas, who is one of the state's best experts, and subsequently Mr. Fox spoke to the assembled people in the form of a talk, and the attention to be given citrus trees.

At a meeting organized at Mrs. Weaver's residence, a lecture on fruit culture was given by Mr. Fox, who answered many questions to regard to insect pests and their control, and the various diseases of fruit trees.

On Tuesday, December 11, Messrs. Fox and Pierce will be at the home of C. W. Hoffman, near Biglerville, where all desiring information in regard to fruit culture should attend.

Cyrus T. Fox has devoted more than forty years to fruit growing and is a writer on fruit topics for different agricultural and horticultural journals. He is an old newspaperman, and is the President of the Pennsylvania State Editorial Association.

HUNTERS PROTECTED

"As far as I can ascertain, and I have tried, no person has been killed or wounded in Pennsylvania the last four years by being mistaken for deer," said State Game Commissioner Robert H. Kalbfus. "I have been watching the reports and am glad to say that Pennsylvania has no reason to report although we have had a remarkable deer hunting season. I think that this is fortunate when you consider that at least 600 bucks were killed.

"In five other states, which permit the killing of does as well as bucks there were eighteen persons killed and fifty-two wounded. Nine states, including our own, which do not permit the killing of does and which allow horns, report no casualties. I guess that speaks for itself.

"I am sorry to say that some hunters are not observing the law prohibiting the killing of does, although I have enlisted in an immense of game in conjunction with the preserves. I have reports of sixty does killed and as many wounded. As far as possible we have prosecuted the persons to whom we have been able to discover who have made themselves very shamable by killing not only does but young deer. If I could I would make the penalty for killing does three years and bar such hunters from the woods."

Dr. Kalfus estimates that 8,000,000 wildcats are killed in this state each year, horse being more abundant than five years. Over 100 bear have been killed.

MORE LINCOLN WAY TALK

Says the Harrisburg Patriot:

"Penrose Tait's endorsement of the proposition for a great highway from Philadelphia to Pittsburgh is gratifying to all advocates of good roads as the President says he regards the Lincoln highway national project as the beginning of a movement for interstate roads.

"But would it not be better to make the beginning by constructing a great highway from the National Capitol to Gettysburg? Other proposition would be apt to meet the warmest popular approval and if constructed under the supervision of army engineers as it should be the highway would serve every purpose of an object lesson."

INDIVIDUAL CUPS

Chambersburg has joined the ranks of towns the school authorities of which show regard for the health of the pupils entrusted to their care by the same ut their regular meeting of the school board on Tuesday night it was decided that individual drinking cups for the pupils should be installed in the different school rooms of town.

WHAT IS A CHRISTMAS TREE?

BY DOROTHY LOVE

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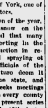
WHAT kind of a tree is a Christmas tree?
I'm sure all you children and I will agree
That it isn't an orange or plum or pear,
Though all of these fruits it is likely to bear.

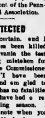
THE Christmas tree is a popcorn tree—
A fact that a Sleepy-Eye Kid can see—
For look at the popcorn balls and strings
That hang from its branches, 'mong other nice things.



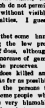
BUT listen to grandpa's wise old talk.
He tells us that popcorn is grown on a stalk.
We'll have to believe him, and so, you see,
That it really isn't a popcorn tree.

THE Christmas tree is a candle tree,
For candles all over it all of us see.
They're red, white and blue, and we'll light 'em tonight,
For candles are meant to make candle trees bright.

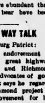
NOW listen to grandma (please leave us alone!)—
She tells us that candles are molded, not grown;
So we've got to give up, with a sigh, you see,
The notion that this is a candle tree.



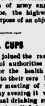
THE Christmas tree is a spangle tree,
For spangles are dangling all over it, see;
Spangles of silver and spangles of gilt,
It's surely a spangle tree Santa has built!



BUT listen to daddy—he says, says he,
There's no such thing as a spangle tree,
For spangles, says daddy, are made in a shop,
So this nice idea we'll have to let drop.



THE Christmas tree is a candy tree—
I'm sure now we have it! Let's holler with glee!
There's candy in boxes and candy in bags,
Let's mark it with "THIS IS A CANDY TREE" tags!



BUT here comes your mamma, who says, if you please,
"Who ever saw candy that GREW upon trees?"
So sadly we've got to surrender such whims,
It may be this candy was TIED to the limbs!

THE Christmas tree is a CHRISTMAS tree!
Is that not sufficient for you and for me?
It's full of good goodies that Santa Claus grows,
And WE shouldn't ask how they got there, I s'pose.

FIRED HOUSE THAWING PIPES

Home of J. Warren Gilbert on West Middle Street Damaged by Saturday Afternoon Fire. House of David Invis.

Fire at the home of J. Warren Gilbert on West Middle street on Saturday afternoon about four o'clock caused flame-go amounting to a hundred dollars or more, brought out the fire department and caused plenty of excitement for holiday shoppers. The fire was started by thawing out frozen water pipes.

Mr. Gilbert had been thawing out the pipes early in the afternoon with a blow torch. Sometime after the work was finished he noticed smoke and went to the cellar when he threw water on the ceiling as a safety precaution.

Later he saw at the Eagle Hotel where he was told that his home was burning. He fire having smouldered for an hour or more.

Smoke poured from the house and an alarm was turned in. The firemen had soon its way into the wall and under the floor until the flames, feeding on carpets and furniture to a large extent. Water and chemicals were thrown on and it was not found necessary to use the hose though considerable woodwork had to be cut out to get at the blaze.

The fire company turned out promptly and a large crowd of people gathered at the scene but were disperse ed when it was seen that the fire was under control.

Mr. Gilbert carried no insurance. The house is owned by David Irvin and was damaged by smoke and fire to the extent of about $50.00.

SCHOOL REPORTS

Report of Union school. Hamilton township for the month ending Nov. 28. Number enrolled 29; average attendance 19, per cent of attendance 90. Those present every day during the month were, Vorozion Bergen, Ollie Mossbarger, Bert Bolinger, Margaret Sanders Hazel Sanders, Kerr Myers, Bernard Sanders, Harry Walsimus, Harry Myers, Clyde Myers, Ray Bloomberg, Eugene Myers, Ivan Johnston, Edgar Johnston, Raymond Sanders. Edna R. Hartman, teacher.

The following is the report of Table Rock school, Butler township. Edna E. Bichelo, teacher. Number enrolling Dec. 5. Number enrolled 30; average attendance 26 ; per cent of attendance 87. Those who attended every day during the month were, Lewis Wagner, Grace Wagner, Ruth and Hazel Snyder, Mable and Lloyd Dellinger, Ruth Echart, Mable, Ruth and Vivian Wiseman, Dora Plank, Jean Lower, Max Lower, John and Phillip Bower, Clyde and Ralph Bowser, Donald Tepper, Donald Lower, Raymond McGraw and Earl McGraw. Bertha Echart missed one day.

SHOULD CUT DOWN PARTIES

Joseph Kalbfus, secretary of the State Game Commission, is considering more stringent regulations for hunting parties, because of the large number of heads which went into the woods this year and, because of accidents, interfered with the sport of deer hunting. "I think all we have in a party hunting for deer should be limited to six," says the commission secretary. "This year we had reports of parties consisting of as many as ten and fourteen. Not all of these men were really hunting. They had provides and remained in fixed places while the others scared the game and drove out the deer. I think it would be more sportsmanlike to have smaller parties and believe legislation to that end should be enacted."

DIED IN KENTUCKY

Clenon B. Smith, of Dillsburg, and Miss Gertrude E. Bershelmer, of Abbottstown, were married in marriage by Rev. A. C. Fennel, at the Lutheran parsonage, in Abbottstown, Thursday evening. The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry K. Bershelmer, of Abbottstown. He is an accomplished musician and a member of the choir of St. John's Lutheran church, that town. The groom is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Smith, of East Berlin. He recently purchased the Trinity barber shop immediately at Dillsburg, where they will make their home.

DEATH OF AN INFANT

Sarah Catherine Shuster, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Shuster, of near Mt. Allen Church, died Friday evening of pneumonia, aged two month and nine days. Funeral Sunday, December 11, at 2 p. m. Services and interment at Conewago Chapel, Rev. Sherman Kohler, officiating.

ADMITTED T. W. H. A.

Norman Phillips, a student at Dentistry, Administered the Young Men's Christian Association at the Y. M. C. A. on Sunday afternoon.

DIES SUDDENLY WHILE SEWING

Mrs. Walter J. Beamer, of Straban Township, Dies while Sitting in her Chair Sewing. Was Apparently in her Usual Health.

Mrs. Seraph Beamer, wife of Rev. Walter J. Beamer, died on Monday at her home in Straban township, aged 52 years.

Mrs. Beamer was sitting in a chair sewing and was apparently in her usual health when she fell forward across an adjoining room and when her daughter went to her aid found her gasping for breath. In a few moments she was dead.

Surviving are her husband and two daughters, Mrs. E. C. Downey, of Straban township, and Mrs. George Gutshall, of Gettysburg. A sister and two brothers also survive. Mrs. Daniel Coleman, of Gettysburg, N. Curtis Miller, of Brush Run, and J. E. C. Miller, of New Oxford.

Monday, Wednesday at 1.30 p. m. with services and interment at Salem United Brethren church.

CATTLE ALL SHOT

Following instructions from the state Livestock Sanitary Board the cattle quarantined because of ten head of cattle for J. Quincy Jacobs to discover whether or not they were afflicted with tuberculosis. He found no evidence of the disease. Mr. Jacobs now has sanitary dairy along modern lines.

JOHN SHUFF

John Shuff died at 11 o'clock Saturday morning at his home on West Main street, aged 76 years.

His wife and several children survive.

The funeral was held at 2 30 Saturday afternoon with interment in Evergreen Cemetary. Rev. L. Dow Olt, officiated.

KERR PROPERTY SOLD

The old Kerr property on Chambersburg street has been sold by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kerr to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cook. Consideration private.

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GIFTS MADE IN A DAY.

Suggestions For Women With the "I Do" Habit.

"Only a day until Christmas and not one-half of the presents ready!"

This is the exclamation one hears every year, and usually with the added, of "Next year I will begin in plenty of time," and usually this promise is broken, especially when women will be glad of new ideas for holiday gifts that may be easily made in a day.

With a bit of ribbon and a few scraps of lace one may devise a gift to make the most adamite little bit of femininity feel that Christmas has arrived. The color and texture of the ribbon and lace may be suited to the taste of the finished article.

Ribbon has many advantages over silk for most fancy work articles. It is easier to work with, for the edges are edges to be hemmed; the whole is ready to be used. Then, too, it has the degree may come out anywhere from 6 to 60 cents a yard and the design from which to choose, and more novelties in position, no factor edges may be kept.

Large Size and Proportion.

The ribbon shade and stemstitch it has the best look made in a day. The ribbon for the candle shade is made of seven inches of ribbon, folded flat, from each edge of a piece of ribbon five inches long and one inch wide. Fit shade and connect the stitches with a gold cord. A ruffle of ribbon with real

LAMP SHADE AND PINCUSHION.

edging is also pretty for such a pink satin edge is most effective. The pincushion is of white satin ribbon, folded, lacing a 4-4 satin stripe and figures and edged with lace. Cut a piece of cardboard five inches square, cover with satin ribbon leaves. This is a pretty and inexpensive gift that is to be made of that season's gay colors.

A New Double Bag.

Bags are always acceptable, and each season new designs are brought out for the fair sex.

The newest is a double bag—one in, one out—and the idea of the double purse is usually of plain silk or ribbon with the outer one of the embroidered seed fabric. The drop bag is made in the conventional way, the top is drawn up and the top divided with a draw string. The inner bag is made of the same material as the outer one and is sewed from the top down three inches on each side, leaving a pocket on each, never fashion. These are fixed with a draw string at the top and they play an initial, or all four may be decorated with initials, one on each of the corner pieces.

The bags are placed one within the other and firmly secured at the ends.

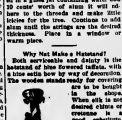
The inner bag will hold a purse or glasses, while the outer pockets serve for handkerchief and gloves. The double purse pull out. This is another example of a fabric purse which can be made with small effort and for little money.

Christmas Ornaments.

To make the little Grandma for Christmas tree fashion popcorn into little balls, the size of a walnut. Dissolve gum drops into gum arabic and cover with any color of sweetmeat desired. Then make a pretty ornament. Silver or gold may be used. Cut out a fancy face's worth of dye in bias, yellow, red or black and paste on the popcorn balls of both. If threads are suspended from the ornaments and strung with 10 cents' worth of mint it will relish to the taste of the little Grandma's fairies for the tree. Continue to add mint until the strings are filled to the thickness. Place in a window or warm place.

Why Not Make a Notebook?

Both serviceable and dainty is the notebook with the calendar attached to a thin satin bow by way of decoration. The calendar should be cut to be inside



of both sides of the book and is fitted with grommets and a ribbon run through them. The ribbon is then tied while the time and expense involved are not great compared with the charm of the gift.

Gift For Afternoon Tea Hostess.

The hostess who serves afternoon tea might appreciate the gift of a new Parisian tea cozy.

This is in the conventional shape but instead of the embroidered or fabric covering it is made of ribbon.

The doll is clothed in a gray dress with a pink sash. Pink ribbon rosettes and frills are added, and with a white fur muff she represents pompadour.

AN OLD TIME DUELIST

By R. PEMBERTON SLADE

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In the olden time, when dueling was prevalent among the higher classes, there lived in a small town in Maryland a young man named Arnold Kemper, who kept everybody about him in a state of terror on account of his proficiency for the code. He knew every meeting between prominent men that had occurred, and no atrocities from the settlement of Virginia. His fellow citizens had many advantages should refuse to duel when challenged to do so, for he would be posted as a poltroon and a coward.

Kemper had never been out himself, but reported that nothing had ever occurred to prevent his fighting. Finally, Mr. Hiers he would end his prophecy or not he would do in case he was insulted, but only so far as words were concerned, for the supervision on his face was something frightful to behold. Girls would clutch their lovers' arms and tremble for them. The men simply quailed under the fierceness with mingled fear and admiration.

If any one happened to stumble against the doctrine's foot or spill a drop of liquid on the coat he wore, adorned his shirt front, of would come the untimely end of the last and would cause an obsequious "Beg your pardon." Kemper would accept it, and business would rcss and he would say, "Certainly, sir, quite accidental," leaving those present to infer that if he had been intended it could only be wasted out in blood.

One day Kemper came to the town a quiet, unobtrusive young man who, knowing nothing of Kemper's reputation for ferocity, was not so careful as others in the matter of politeness to Kemper's dress. He was a Virginian named Wade Wells. That was at a time when the duelists of Maryland were growing and opulous on one side of the other were wasting away. One evening Kemper was in a tavern taking a drink when he found it became necessary to defend the king's sovereignty. Turning from the attacking wall up to him, pulled his nose and said; "Sir, you lie." "Say I lie not," was the reply.

Every one present expected to see the stranger annihilated. Kemper was known to be a dead shot, a professional one to the man who had inserted his name on the visiting card. Consequently one of his friends removed bearing challenge to the stranger, who accepted, and the challenged party was told that he could choose his weapons. Wells replied that he had suggested that the principals should fight with fists.

Kemper declared such a meeting entirely unprecedented, but the stranger said that he didn't care if it was. His friends told him that he could not do at all. Kemper then declared the affair off. His friends remonstrated, but he pulled the terrible man's nose still more. Then Kemper left the tavern, those who had stood in awe of him before looking upon him with contempt.

It was agreed that the meeting should take place in the morning in a room on the second door and at 10 o'clock at stake. The room was closed so that not even a ray of starlight could enter. At the appointed hour the principals were brought to the room, and each of the principals was set in a chair at the opposite doors. Then they were to remain standing by their chairs until the word was given, which was given by a man outside with a handkerchief in his hand. Each one should be at liberty to kill the other as he could.

Ten minutes after the signal had been given the door was opened and the principals came out. There was a dead man and the parties might in their excitement have fired at each other a number of times without knowing it. Then the doctor went in with a lamp and found Kemper still seated, and as each man had been provided with a pistol loaded on with a single barrel half the bullets in the pistols had been accidentally slipped, and another shot was heard. Kemper had killed himself, and his clothes coming in with candles.

Wade Wells, the stranger, was the stranger, was visible. He looked as though he had seen a ghost.

"For heaven's sake!" exclaimed one of the men, "what is the matter with your adversary?"

"Adversary! No. I captured the room till I was tired; then I heard a shot. I didn't see the result. The door back was turned at the time. Of course I thought that I was the victim and since I couldn't kill an assassin I thought I would get away as fast as I could. I'm glad to see that the affair is over. I hope I shall never have to do up the chimney."

Wade Wells was the only man who ever in the big drygoods common in those days and who had a reputation, having a made there, acclimated:

"There's blood on the hearth!"

At that moment down dropped Kemper.

Then there was an explanation. Kemper's pistol—it had a hair trigger—went off on account of his nervousness, killing him instantly and the discovery of safety. The stranger, finding that he had killed a man in a duel, fled.

Such was Kemper's supremacy.

The Breath of Christmas

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HIS LAST MOMENTS.

They Were Gently Soothed by the Kind Hospital Orderly.

Nurses in English military hospitals are rather apt to be too much wrapped up on the advantages received by the patients and their duty of ministering, but still it is the poor soldier who suffers most. Even always tactful they cannot be so graceful dung in his tent. The following story is told of one of the Chaplain—So poor Hopkins is dead. Sorry, sorry. Ah, well, we must all die once again and soothe the last me. Where's the soldier's pal call me?

Hospital Orderly—I didn't think you ought to be disturbed, sir. Chaplain—Oh, so I just soothed him as best I could. Orderly—Yes, sir.

Chaplain—Why, what did you say to him?

Orderly—"Opinion," says I, "you're going to die."

Chaplain—Yes?

"Opinion," says I, "I don't think there's any hope, sir."

"Opinion," says I, "you ought to be thankful you've lived as long as you have, for you've had a fine innings, and a decade there, acclimated:

"Opinion," says I, "you're going feet."

"Yes," says he.

"Opinion," says I, "I don't think you can take anything with you."

"I don't think I can," says he.

"Well, then, Opinion," says I, "you'll go to the other place."

"I suppose so," says he.

"Opinion," says I, "you ought to be very grateful to me for telling you so candid like, for you've had a fine innings and a good time, sir."

"I am," says he.

"Opinion," says I, "you're going to die, and you'll be in the first three hours in the Lincoln handicap, a Jumper and Rosaura Dawn. A press agency chap will be there, and you'll be the position paper as follows: 'Lincoln Or. Jumper, Rosaura Dawn.'"

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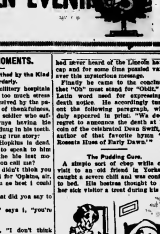

"STUFF IT!" SAID HE TO THE NURSE.

him and he died.

A Beautiful Mosaic.

Some years ago the first three horses in the Lincoln handicap, a Jumper and Rosaura Dawn. A press agency chap will be there, and you'll be the position paper as follows: 'Lincoln Or. Jumper, Rosaura Dawn.'"

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bed never heard of the Lincoln handicap, and for many years thereafter never saw the mysterious message.

Naturally he came to the conclusion that "Or" must stand for "Obit," the Latin word used for expressing a death notice. He accordingly turned out the following morning, when a daily appeared in print: "Was deeply regret to announce the death at Lincoln of the celebrated Dawn Swift, the property of that Prince Yes. Rosaura Dawn."

The Pudding Cure.

A simple sort of story while on a visit to an old friend in Yorkshire—one of those chill and wet afternoons so I just soothed him as best I could. Orderly—Yes, sir.

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TAFT BORNES ARMY REPORT

Orders Dickinson Not to Give House Facts Wanted.

AT ODDS WITH ADVISERS

President Orders Secretary of War to Withhold Entire Document Showing Inadequacy of Defense.

Washington, Dec. 16. — President Taft directed Secretary of War Dickinson to withhold from congress entirely his report on the subject of defense made in answer to a resolution passed by the house of representatives.

The house destined to receive the report in confidence. Hence it will not be made public.

The president's action means that all the facts as to the army and the fortifications along the coast upon which congress can base any action are contained in the regular annual reports of the secretary of war, the chief of staff and other subordinates of bureaus of the department.

President Taft agrees with some of the congressional leaders that these conclusions and opinions should be laid in strict confidence. As the house cannot receive reports in confidence the president decided it was best to withhold the original report from the history.

His Directed Secretary Dickinson to prepare a letter to the house giving the reasons for withholding the special report and inviting attention to the regular annual reports of the army itself found to consist of all the actual information in the report which the secretary of war in the McCumber amendment.

Major General Leonard Wood, chief of staff, was said to have left many military committee to explain his views as to the adequacy of the defenses of the country. He said it was impossible to obtain a true knock at war supplies on short notice.

He believed that the army is not now and that the government should be enabled at once to purchase all the supplies necessary so that any emergency might be met promptly.

An extraordinary situation has arisen in that the formal report is prepared by the secretary of war, which are characterized as unsatisfactory, and efforts were made by members of the house of representatives to suppress the contents of the report and to withhold it from publication which would be detrimental to the interests of the government.

But Secretary of War Dickinson and Major General Leonard Wood, chief of staff, who ought to know what is what, is expedient to disclose the condition of the national defenses for the reasons, have apparently been entirely willing to have the report go in.

At Odds With Advisers.

To make the situation more complicated, President Taft's views in regard to the so-called unsatisfactory reports plainly do not coincide with those of his secretary of war and chief of staff.

The president does not take the condition of the national defenses so seriously as Secretary Dickinson, General Wood, and he is opposed to stirring the subject up before the public at this time.

While congress leaders are officially mum they are against the publication of the reports because it would place undesirable information in the hands of other governments, the real reason is that they fear a "war scare" made for appropriations.

They charge privately that the reports in question were prepared chiefly for the purpose of creating a public sentiment in favor of extraordinary expenditures for the army and coast defenses.

The reports in question were prepared by the secretary of war. One was prepared by the chief of staff, and its contents were withheld from the "sensational" by those who read it, before this report was sent to the house Representative Tawney, chairman of the committee on appropriations, got wind of it and he went directly to the White House and protested against its being given out for publication.

Soon after Mr. Tawney's visit at the White House it was announced that the original report by the secretary of war would be considered confidential and the modified report would be sent to the house only. The modified report placed upon the body of this first report as far as publication is concerned, although there was an appendix which the secretary considered of a confidential nature.

The modified report, which is said to be considerably shorter than the original, was sent to the house and was marked "confidential." This report was an expurgated edition of the original. It was prepared by a subcommittee of the cabinet.

Although the contents of the report were closely guarded, it was learned that the document pointed out that the country is weefully ungeared for war; that there is a shortage of rifles, of ammunition, and that the army is on the footing that approximates disorganization as far as effectiveness and efficiency are concerned. Such a report would be imported if an armed force were to land on the coast line among the many. The cessation of a thorough investigation into the Hinsley regime.

HARRY WHITNEY.

Will Start Next Year in Search of South Pole.

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TO HUNT SOUTH POLE

Harry Whitney to Take Peary's Ship-Start Next Year.

New York, Dec. 16.—Definite assurance that Harry Whitney, of this city, intends to start next year, if possible, in search of the South Pole, is contained in a telegram sent by Mr. Whitney from New Orleans to the Journal-Courier.

The telegram, which was in response to a query sent by the Journal-Courier to Mr. Whitney, says:

"Thiaagan just received on return from Mississippi. Partiott and myself expect to start for coast land if possible next year.

"HARRY WHITNEY."

Partiott commanded the Roosevelt in the Peary expedition under Commander Peary.

BANDIT, AT BAY, COMMITS SUICIDE

Robber Kills Himself When Cornered by Posse.

Salina, Kan., Dec. 14—A bandit held up the State bank at Paradise, Kan., at 10 o'clock today.

He escaped in an automobile and fled when surrounded by a posse of citizens.

When the robber, a young man, was cornered in a barn he fired two revolvers and ordered Cashier O'Brien of the bank to enter the barn and fire. Grew up their hands. After the cashier had entered the barn the bandit commanded the man to the rear of the building, which he and clothed rags in their mouths.

The robber took all the cash in the safe and went to a hardware store, where he bought a rifle and ammunition. Mounting a horse, he galloped north.

XMAS BOX FOR TAFT

Aunt Della Sends Package of Good Things to White House.

Washington, Dec. 16. — President Taft has received a Christmas box of good things from his Aunt Della Torrey.

Miss Torrey lives at Millbury, Mass., and has been a visitor at the White House on several occasions. It is determined that the president shall not have his Aunt Della Torrey's box until after the test is made as a boy.

The big box contains all the delicacies and pickles of the kind the president's aunt has been sending him. Miss Torrey has stored away, but some of the goodies will appear on the table at Christmas.

DECLINES JUDGESHIP

Weds M. Ellis, of Ohio, Thanks President for Offer.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Wade H. Ellis, of Ohio, declined an appointment to a judgeship in the customs court of appeals tendered him by President Taft, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Judge Hinsley Ellis, due to the concurrence court.

Mr. Ellis wrote the president declining the office, but said that he thought he would be in a position at his new home to accept it later.

MISS VIVIAN GOULD.

Will Wed Lord Decies, of London.

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Railroad Magnate's Daughter to Marry Lord Decies.

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St. Louis	32	Clear.
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"W" Weather Forecast.

"W" Fair and colder and temporary; high and northwesterly winds.

EDWARD O. WHITE.

Named by Taft as Chief Justice of Supreme Court.

Italy to Get Wife Murderer.

Peter Cherritos, the youth who had confessed that he murdered his wife, Mary Scott Cecile Charlton, last June, by throwing her body into a trunk and sinking it in Lake Como, Italy, and who is now locked up in Hoboken, N. J., will be extradited to Italy for trial.

The announcement that the United States will honor the requisition of the Italian government was made at the state department by Secretary of State Knox. Cherritos will be taken to Italy on the second daughter of George J. Gould of New York. Miss Gould is in her nineteenth year. Lord Decies was forty-four years old on Dec. 1. He is a distinguished soldier, being lieutenant colonel of the Seventh Hussars.

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CARNEGIE'S BIG FUND FOR PEACE

Gives $10,000,000 For Perpetual Trust.

ROOT AT HEAD OF BOARD

Income to Be Used to "Hasten the Abolition of War"—After Vast "the Next Most Degrading Evil" to Be Attacked.

Andrew Carnegie has announced his gift of $10,000,000 for the promotion of international peace.

This announcement was made at a meeting in Washington of twenty-two of the twenty-seven trustees, who have been selected to handle the fund. The service of the gift is: The trustees who are left practically unhampered to do as they see fit, which will involve only $500,000 a year, in the interest of $10,000,000 principal.

"I have a feeling," said Mr. Carnegie, "cannot be wisely laid down, that the best way to use this money is to attack the cause of war directly, as far as personal war (duelling) and mob violence in the form of lynching have been discarded within the wide boundaries of civilization, so organized war between nations will please then consider what is the next most degrading survival, mob rule or evils whose banishment—or abolition—the progress of civilization demands if introduced or fostered or both abolished. Whatever is calculated to the progress, elevation and happiness of mankind on this earth, whether it be harry without end, my trustees of such a fund should consider it their duty to aid men in his upward march to higher conditions. I am not wedded to any one specialty, for now we know that men work in many lines for the benefit of the race. Therefore, I leave the trustees the desire and power for improvement. Only I would suggest that there be no fault short of perfection even in the work of the trustees.

"Let my trustees therefore act independently of me. I have given them no plan, how they can best help mankind. I have given them power to go forward and to this end devote this fund."

The trustees of the fund are: Daniel Coit Gilman, president; Elihu Root, Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia university; Robert S. Brookings, president of the Carnegie institution; Joseph H. Choate, former ambassador to England; Cleveland H. Dodge, William Hayes Ward, editor of the Independent; Dr. Charles W. Eliot, president emeritus of Harvard university; James Brown Scott, solicitor of the department of state; John W. Foster, former secretary of state; Andrew J. Montague, governor of Virginia, and Hon. William H. Howard, congressman from Georgia; Oscar S. Straus, Brander Matthews, Hamilton Holt, Frederick Lynch, Dr. John Huston Finley, Dr. Jacob G. Schurman, president of Cornell university; Dr. Hamilton Holt, editor of the Independent; Dr. John L. Tayler, chairman of the executive committee; Robert Underwood Johnson, Dr. George W. Perkins, of New York; Thomas Nelson Page and Robert S. Woodward.

Wife Is Now Chief Justice.

The wife of Associate Justice Edward Douglass White, of Louisiana, is now the chief justice of the United States supreme court, which was sent to the senate by President Taft to succeed Melville W. Fuller, who died in Chicago.

To be associate justices, United States supreme court, President Taft sent to the senate the name of Willis Van Devanter, of Wyoming, and Judge Joseph Rucker Lamar, of Georgia.

To be judges of the new court of commerce:

Martin A. Knapp, new chairman of the interstate commerce commission, for a term of five years.

Robert W. Archbald, of Scranton, now United States district judge for the middle district of Pennsylvania, for a term of four years.

Julius C. Burrows, now a judge of the court of customs appeals, term of five years.

Henry DeLamar Clayton, now a judge, for a term of two years, to succeed Judge Emory Speer, whose term expires Dec. 31. Decision, United States district judge for the northern district of Georgia, having been selected for this place.

Judge W. Mott, now judge in the

sportists check point of the first 24 hours started, here at noon.

To be members of the interstate commerce commission, Judge C. McPearson, of Wisconsin, and C. C. Anderson, of Kentucky.

The appointments to the interstate commerce commission are to fill the vacancies caused by the elevation of Mr. Knapp to the commerce court and the forthcoming retirement of former Senator Francis M. Cockrell, of Missouri.

Philadelphia Chapman Shot by Wife.

Herbert Mason Clapp, a wealthy chemist of Philadelphia, is in a hospital with a bullet in his head and his wife in jail, the result of a row, it is understood, charged with having shot him. She was arrested on the charge, according to the police, after Clapp had walked into the police station with the bullet in his head, got a pistol and shot twice at her husband.

One bullet went wild, smashing a mirror, the other entered the upper part of the man's mouth, emerging near the back of his head.

At first the family and physician attempted to conceal the facts, saying Clapp, who had been drinking and was suffering from nervousness, had accidentally inflicted the wound.

Mrs. Clapp, who is a prominent hospital worker, declared that the shooting was accidental and that she was overcome with grief when she learned that the women empowered before Clapp he had shot himself. "I will take the law's way!"

"He said she would get me and she did," he added. "She is the best one I ever had. I'll get her for this." Clapp is afraid of a cut, man or the devil. How he got the bullet in his head is a mystery. He is a manicure in a Market street hotel."

$61,000,000 Live Under Wing.

In the United States there are 61,000,000 persons living under the wing of the Stars and Stripes possessions.

This enormous number is the official estimate of the census bureau, which has just completed the task of compiling with the population statistics for the insular possessions. The estimate is the thirteenth decennial census. It includes the Philippines, Porto Rico, Hawaii, Alaska and the Panama canal zone.

Within its borders on the North American continent, exclusive of Alaska, the United States has a population of 91,972,266, according to the census. The last ten years the states of the Union have had a population increase of 15,977,691, which amounts to 21 per cent of the population in 1900.

$158,815,000 For Pensions.

The president appropriation bill for the pension bureau for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1912, which was reported to the house of representatives today, carries $158,815,000.

The reduction was made when the house committee on appropriations Rainey, of Illinois, reduced the sum of $160,000,000 which was originally sent to one, that located in Washington.

Representative Henry T. Rainey, of Illinois, Smith, of Iowa, was also elected governor of the Philippines because of his ability and consequent economy in the payment of pensions.

Plans Memorial to Lincoln.

A national memorial to Abraham Lincoln will be erected in Washington at a cost of $2,000,000, is proposed in a bill introduced in the house of representatives today.

The bill names a permanent commission of fifteen members of Frederick Taft, Secretary Wetmore, of Rhode Island, and Dr. Charles D. Walcott, representative McNeill, of Massachusetts, and Representative Mann, of Illinois. The sum of $100,000 is to be immediately available and the federal troops are pursuing them."

Mrs. Taft's Aunt Dies.

Mrs. Mary Torrey, mother of Mrs. William H. Taft, and sister of Judge Torrey, died at her home in Millbury, Mass., Dec. 16, of pneumonia. She was eighty-three years old.

National Museum Gets Peary Medals.

The medals awarded to Peary, explorer, has deposited in the National museum by Commander Peary, who is at present sailing the waters of the Arctic ocean.

GENERAL MARKETS

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 16.

FLOUR quiet; winter, clear, $3.80@3.90; city mills, $4.25@4.50.

WHEAT steady; No. 2 red, spot, $1.04@1.04½.

CORN firm; No. 2 yellow, local, 62@62½c.

OATS steady; No. 2 white, clipped, 38@38½c; lower grades, 36@37c.

BUTTER steady; extra creamery, 32c; extra prints, 33c; fancy dairy, 30@31c.

EGGS steady; fancy selected, 40c; fancy nearby, 38@39c; fancy western, 36@37c; fancy southern, 34@35c.

POULTRY steady; fowls, 16@17c; old roosters, 13c; chickens, 15@16c; ducks, 16@17c; geese, 14@15c; turkeys, 20@21c.

Live Stock Markets.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 16.

CATTLE—Prime choice, $6.75@7.00; good, $6.50@6.75; tidy, $6.25@6.50; fair, $6.00@6.25; common, $5.50@5.75; bulls, $4.50@5.50; cows, $3.00@5.00; heifers, $5.00@6.00; fresh cows and springers, $40@80.

HOGS—Prime heavy, $8.60@8.65; prime medium weight, $8.60@8.65; best heavy yorkers, $8.60@8.65; light yorkers, $8.50@8.60; pigs, $8.50@8.60; roughs, $7.50@7.75; stags, $5.50@6.50; dairies, $8.50@8.60.

SHEEP—Prime wethers, $5.50@5.75; good mixed, $5.25@5.50; fair mixed, $4.50@5.00; culls and common, $3.00@4.00; lambs, $7.50@8.00; veal calves, $8.50@9.00.

341 PRESENT AT BANQUET

Annual Banquet of the Order of Independent Americans Attended by Large Number, Sumptuous Oyster Supper Served.

Three hundred and forty one members and friends of Battlefield Council 717 Order of Independent Americans formed in the banquet hall of the order in the McPherson block on Friday evening and in addition to enjoying a sumptuous spread had a royal good time.

Preceding the banquet proper two addresses were made. The Rev. D. W. Sherrick, of the United Brethren church made an address telling of the purposes, objects and work of the order and showing its benefits. The Rev. Joseph B. Baker, of the same church, made an address on "Patriotism." A general social time was enjoyed by all of those present.

The banquet itself was a complete affair. Oysters in all styles were served, no less than 41 gallons being consumed during the evening. The many good things which go with a complete oyster supper were also provided, shrimp salad, pickles, cake, other desserts, and a bountiful banquet was enjoyed. It was served by the ladies having charge of the affair, Misses Helen and Margaret Sherrick, Lillie May Steinour, Tillie Dull, Esther Adams and Celsie Hoke, Clara Hess, Clara and Martha Snyder, Agnes Myers, Mary Belle Little, Irene Biggs, Mary Scott, Ruth Biggs and Messrs. Howard and Beulah Keebler.

The committee in charge of the arrangements for the evening were James T. Orndorf, J. H. Gilbert, A. Mowbray, Levi Grieshaw, and C. B. Kitzmiller.

NEW FIRE LAW PROPOSED

The use of torches or lights will be prohibited to the catching of frogs, if the hunting legislation which will add favorably on proposed laws which have already been introduced at Harrisburg. Such measures will be submitted to the legislature by the state fish commission, and with a clear conscience to the fish laws, nearly all of which have been enacted at the United Sportsmen of Pennsylvania.

Most important of the above enactments is the repeal of the act of 1905 regulating the catching of frogs and terrapin. The proposed amendment to this act will make it unlawful to capture sunapping turtles in Pennsylvania from the first day of April until the fortunateth day of July of each year. Under the proposed act it will be unlawful to catch bullfrogs from the first day of July until the 31st day of October. The state commission in the proposed act is the provision making it unlawful to use any torches or artificial light at night to catch frogs.

SCHOOL BOARD EMPLOYS NURSE

The York board of health at its December meeting decided to employ a nurse to visit homes in the city and in which there exist minor physical ailments responsible for the contagious diseases of children in the public schools. Miss M. Ida Wood was elected to the position at $90 a month. As ordinarily, she will be required to make visitations on every school days a week, her actual salary will not exceed $40 a month.

In providing a visiting nurse for the school district, York has followed the example of other third class cities of Pennsylvania, among them Harrisburg, where two visiting nurses are employed by the school district.

FARMERS' WEEK

Farmers' Week at the Pennsylvania State College will be held this year from December 12th to 16th inclusive.

A splendid opportunity is offered to all farmers interested in better agriculture. Lectures on live topics will be given by men who have practical experience as well as scientific knowledge. In addition to the lectures, many practical demonstrations in judging dairy cattle, beef cattle, horses, sheep, swine and poultry will be given. The program will be so arranged that any individual can attend lectures during such periods as the subjects which interest him most.

$58.86 TO CHURCH

Jeremiah Bair handed the clerk of the board at his home at his place, Mt. Pleasant Township, a check for $58.86, the sum of $50.00 to Reistersr's church, the balance being added for the 20th thirty years of his life but, said his health " became impaired, worked himself to the point of death" and he stop, on which he lived, the mean so the other years. He was one of the harvest field and worked with up to the time he was taken ill, and the

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MEETING IN HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING

Home and School Association at Gettysburg Holds its Monthly Meeting in High School Building, Entertainment Given.

The Home and School Association of Gettysburg held its monthly meeting on Friday evening in the High School building. The entertainment part of the program consisted of a piano solo by Miss Elsie Hinkle; also a reading "An Irrepressible American," by Richard Hollinger, and a piano solo by Willsen Troxell.

The meeting was by the drawing class, Charles Myers and Alta Bankert of the Seventh Grade and Rachael Lippy and Fred Breneman of the Fifth Grade, was another feature and the Fifth Grade Primary pupils' drawing girls was also given.

There were two discussions. Miss Lisle Raymond read a paper by Mrs. B. F. McPherson on the Duties of Parents in Training Children for Citizenship and Miss Ella B. Lobaugh talked on "Industrial Education."

The committee named to arrange a social entertainment to be given by the men, Mrs. Mary E. Wible, Mrs. Charles Myers and Miss Ralph's room song was lately well attended.

THE CATTERPILAR PROPHET

Sherry Hershey, of near Spring Grove, predicts that we are going to have a cold spell of weather, with much snow about the 1st of next month, and latter part of February. After that a mild spell of weather will prevail all through March and the forepart of April, and then another sharp spell of cold weather before summer sets in.

He bases his predictions on the large grey, woolly caterpillars, which can be seen crawling in the late fall going public sense, and that when their condition in color is an almost infallible sign. The grey fur on caterpillars are black from the head beyond the middle, then they are red in color for a short distance and end with a black fur over the tail. Last year the black spot over the tail was much larger than usual, and predicted that too may be looked for as last winter, which proved to be true, as there could not be so prolonged into the late spring.

PAY FOR SHARES

Service pay for members of the National Guard is provided in a bill introduced in the legislature at Pennsylvania. All men in the ranks who participated in the Mexican border the year or such equivalent duty as is prescribed are to be entitled to receive five per cent of the pay of a man in the regular army for the time he would be made when less than twenty drills or other equivalent duty between any member and forty eight they be pay in the proportional amount of the twenty five per cent.

All officers below the rank of general are to be entitled to the same per cent. of the pay that goes to a regular army officer of like rank. Enlisted officers are to receive five per cent of the pay of a first class private in the regular army.

No millionaire can secure the allowance during the first year of his existence, and no person can receive more than with the sum used by his branch of the service

NEW OXFORD BAND REORGANIZED

At a meeting held at the citizens and of the members of the old Citizens Band, of New Oxford, a re-organization was effected which promises to once more have a musical organization. The following officers were elected: Band President, Dr. William R. Snyder; Secretary, G. Lee Gilbert; Director, James W. Sarratt; leader and treasurer, H. E. Smith. Two years ago New Oxford had one of the best equipped and most musical organizations in Southern Pennsylvania, but owing to a slight disagreement, it was disbanded.

NEW MAIL SERVICE

Commencing December 19th and on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday of each month mail via train 204 P. and R. R. leaving Philadelphia at 12.01 noon with, the carriers will make their collections at 1.30 p. m. and the post office will be open from 2.00 to 2.30 p. m. for the delivery of mail to the present. All through mail deposited in the street collection boxes after 1.30 in the postoffice drop before 4.00, will be dispatched on the same train.

C. Wm. Bosler, postmaster.

MOVED TO CALIFORNIA

Charles W. Hershey, of Union town ship, near Otto's Mill, who recently disposed of his property interests and personal property at public sale, has moved to Los Angeles, California, where he will make their future home. A car load of his personal effects was shipped for San Jose, California, where they will make their future home.

istmas on A Canalboat

"Here are we going to spend Christmas?" exclaimed the good natured Mrs. Captain Bragg, seemingly in reply to a remark put to her question, for somehow fish are sensitive of any criticism aside in their direction.

"Why, we're going to spend the day just like we did last year, with the exception we don't have to work, and we're going to eat and eat and eat and eat, but it's a long while from then to then to a fat like my self, and I'm going to enjoy myself if that's brain to be as big as mine.

"Last year we had a big plum pudding here," and Mrs. Bragg displayed the extent of a six foot bookcase, "a penalty of the arrangement stretching the line of the New York Central, out of the main cabin, which served as dining and dining room combined, and eleven jarred, besides an infantilement that never deluded the kitchen, which was over than the modern apartment house kitchenette.

While under ordinary circumstances the kitchen was part of the cabin proper, two doors at right angles to each other could be closed by simply swerving, formed a room by itself. A thing only of two rooms made Enid the compartment, leaving just room for the cook stove and the table against it every inch of such space was utilized to the best advantage, between stoves, etc., and cupboards.

A low cupboard opening into the said contained pots and pans and kitchen use, as well as vegetables and canned goods. Stacks of dishes and cups, and two other sleeves, which were in open view on the wall, and the top of the recess of the boat bins. Bunks pulled down at sliding doors, and completely divided the space into two rooms, and these curtains were drawn when the cabin the occupants enjoyed all the conveniences.

A big divan could be opened up at night into a generous, soft and exclusive bunk, "just under the sexes." Some sufficiently large to meet two small roomsacre away. Chests of drawers built in, wonderfully well arranged in one of the way proves supplemented by clothes, cooking and the boots and shoes of a family of children.

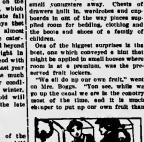
One of the biggest surprises in the boat, and one which proves that they might be applied in small houses where room is at a premium, was the well served fruit lockers.

"We've got our own fruit," went on Mrs. Bragg. "You see, while we're on the canal we don't have to worry about the time, and it doesn't take much paper to pay up our own fruit than buy it in winter, and this is where we come in.

Going to the state by the cooperative way, she pulled out tiny drawers, which looks juicer and the like, the rows of sash step with which to open the drawers, and the little doors was quite room enough to show pies fruit jars to stand upright.

A cold storage room was turned over to the fruit, and the ice which is about about two feet is height opened. The thing talks about the refrigerator which turned up against the wall of the cabin on the side.

When some surprise was expressed at the ingenuity of a sewing machine in the room Mrs. Bragg replied: "Oh there's nothing." Many of the boats have them, and the little thing can be fitted up with a porcelain buttock. So, you see, we have some of the luxuries of sky houses and plenty of good air and exercise. Why, I'm going to be as



TO A SCRAP BOOST RATHER THAN DOWN

fat as a pig, and I'm going to be as happy as one."

Mrs. Bragg's room was tidied up and the "crew," who is blindfolded. The menu was simple.

Here we are as home and get. Bacon and fried potatoes, cabbage. One cold cake is the second day. Then we have the cake for dessert say, and apples in the improvised stool, which is also a table. And as we are not questions of the hidden sea, we don't apply for the job. We are getting the value. By these answers the Captain and Mrs. Bragg are happy. If he fails he must try again. When he succeeds, the bidder passes between the sexes.

OUR SPECIAL HOLIDAY OFFER

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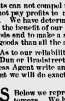
TESTIMONIALS Below we reproduce testimonials from a few of our steady customers. We have hundreds more, but selected these because

Cliff Gordon, the "German Senator," a new summer who has made the world laugh, says: "Here sour best better Hunyer or better price. I carry them everywhere with me."

Bobby North, one of the stars of the Follies of 1910, says: "I don't believe I ever had such good whiskey as your Private Stock. How can you sell it at the price?"



Al. H. Woods, one of America's most famous Theatrical Managers, says: "Enter my sounding order for the quality of whiskey and one of Swedish Punch each month I propose to be a steady customer."

You will note that we have listed a number of standard wines and liquors in our order blank. They are, one and all, liquors that are fit to grace the sideboard of any home in America. We want to call your especial attention to our famous "SWEDISH PUNCH". This is one of the best holiday liquors that has appeared in years. It is made from a recipe that has been handed down from generation to generation by the Royal Family of Sweden, and now, for the first time, put upon the American market. Too much cannot be said for it.

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Our offers are the most liberal ever made at any time, at any price, by any firm. If you cannot use twelve quarts yourself, get some of your friends to join you. Remember, we pay express charges.

THESE ARE ACTUAL PRICES, AND YOU SHOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THEM WITHOUT DELAY, AS THIS OFFER WILL NEVER BE REPEATED!

Send your order TODAY—NOW! Our holiday business will be very large, and to insure prompt shipment orders should be sent in immediately.

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Gentlemen: Find inched $..... for which please forward by express the following goods:

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TWO 1864 DOLLARS FOUND

Two missing 1864 silver dollars, are in possession of Mrs. Lucinda Bair, descendants of the estate of John G. Gonheart, for many years a prominent citizen of Hanover. They were found in the vault of the old Gonheart home on the square, and were discovered by Mrs. Bair while looking over the old papers and relics in the unpainted shed, which is also in the vault. And as no one questions of the hidden ore, we apply for the job. We are getting the value. By these answers the Captain and Mrs. Bragg are happy. If he fails he must try again. When he succeeds, the bidder passes between the sexes.

ANNOUNCED TO GRADUATE

Among the local sanitariums to the Republican State Committee, Harrisburg, are: Dr. Samuel C. Orr, Berlin, getting $526.00; George D. Thorn $100; Dr. Samuel Lee Laird of Lake Ariel $1. Hands $50.

REV. MR. LAUFFER AT MCSHERRYSTOWN

Rev. George W. Lauffer who resigned as pastor of the Bethel Church of Mechanicstown Lutheran charge, to accept a call to the Lutheran charge at Newville, Cumberland County, has taken up his residence in that place.

Rev. Mr. Lauffer has served the First Lutheran church, New Oxford, and St. Paul's church, Gettysburg, for many years, succeeding the Rev. Ferdinand Rowe. During the pastorate of the latter the additions and falsified worker, as was plainly shown by the Commission condition of both congregations.

The pastorate of the congregations has several applicants for the vacant parsonage, under consideration.

BOOKS DISCOVERED

R. P. Miller's Sunday School class has located a treasure by the King B. Treasury Co., of New York, dated February 7.

THIS IS OUR OWN DOG

The Harrisburg Telegraph printed the following:

"Robert Miller and family, of Gettysburg, were visitors in this city yesterday. Mr. Miller spent considerable of his time while here in securing historical data relative to the valuable information which he possesses relative to the part taken by men in the War of the Rebellion and particularly those of Adams County. Mr. Miller passed here on his return to his home in Gettysburg.

"The Millers own and manage the Jamie Wade Hooven and musically tell the thrilling story of her death to many thousands of visitors.

"Mr. Miller is the secretary of the Battell Monument Association of Gettysburg and as such he has been active. He served as secretary of the Republican Committee of Adams County through his efforts the county failed to be represented in the list of democratic strongholds."

OIL ON FIRE, BADLY BURNED

Miss Charlotte Moore, of York Street, Burned about Face and Hands but is Saved by the Fact that her Clothing Did not Ignite.

Miss Charlotte Moore, aged 16 years, had a narrow escape from losing to death at her home on York street some time Saturday night. The fact that night clothing did not ignite alone saved her from that fate. The use of coal oil in the stove is blamed for the accident.

Miss Moore who is familiarly known as "Aunt Charlotte Moore" resides alone and the fact introduced into anything was wrong at her home was, almost Sunday morning when Mrs. Toomey went to her home to see her. She could get no answer and the door was locked. She proceeded to calling and with Mrs. Annen finally gained entrance when Miss Moore came and let them in.

They found her one hand and wrist badly burned and scorched, several blisters on the face and the skin badly scorched. She hair was singed and she was also burned from other places. She was out in a condition to tell how the accident took place but even then she was not clear. Upon the assurance Dr. Hermsen was summoned and rendered the necessary attention.

It is believed that during the night Miss Moore arose to make fire in the stove and that the scattered horse through getting out of the oil can. That nothing inflammable caught is also considered responsible for the fact that she was betraying him into the flames of the conflagration and afterwards and since then. It is alleged he has been treating it for some time and was threatening to kill her.

The situation evidently became too alarming and she sought refuge with the neighbors. Her condition Sunday morning caused a friend, who advised her to go to the home of Dr. Hermsen for first aid to the injured. Dr. Hermsen was not at home but Mrs. Hermsen was there and threatening to reveal his unspeakable conduct.

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ANIMAL XMAS RUSH

The town letter carriers are preparing for their annual rush during the holidays, and pretty soon when they start on the rounds they will usually be seen of hands more than letter carriers, for they will be with bundles of packages for "the Grad Christmas Time." Last year the number and size of pack-boxes of the carriers has been done away with to a certain extent, and little wagons have been pressed into service on routes, but still the carrier has his hands full, likewise his arms and sometimes his pockets, and no matter how much of a smaller load is expected to make his deliveries. This is another year for all to do their shopping early and mail their Christmas packages before the rush is so great that it seems a positive cruelty to overburden human beings with the numerous burdens.

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Browne Wm. Hammond, son of W. B. Hammond, and a brother of S. A. Hammond, was married at Hanover last Thursday at a fashionee hospital and was united in the place on Saturday.

RURAL CARRIER FACES CHARGES

Adams County Rural Mail Carrier Accused of Stealing Mail and Money, and then Abusing Wife for Exposing him.

John E. Bicker, aged thirty-two years, a rural delivery mail carrier living near Hilltown and working from the post office at Hanover, was arrested about 8:30 o'clock Sunday morning by Patrolman Moore of York, at the request of Mrs. Bicker. The latter also was afraid that he would destroy evidence that he had committed, she revealed to Postmaster Lewis, of York, that he was carrying on a regular robbery of the mails which power brought his home.

For more than a year suspicious circumstances are said to have pointed to the fact that Bicker had been stealing letters containing money that had been given him to take to the post office for transmission and that he had received for delivery to patrons along his route. At least it is alleged to have been his practice to do so and complaint had been made by people he serves that they either failed to get letters they knew to have been sent them or that they had had to their other points but which had not been received.

Postmaster Lewis set out to see if he could secure evidence that would be sufficient to warrant the arrest of Bicker and these are now held by a Secret Service man.

That Bicker's enduring has come almost through his wife is certain. It is said that he was under the belief that she was betraying him into the hands of the government authorities, and since then, it is alleged he has been treating it for some time and was threatening to kill her.

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PUBLIC SALE

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21

The undersigned, intending to retire from active business, will sell at public sale at the residence of Mrs. Sarah Bushman, deceased, situate in Mt. Pleasant township, Adams county, along the State road, formerly known as the Dewey Tree place, the following live stock:

1 Bay Mare, 7 years old, 1 Head of milk cows, 1 Head of Heifers, 1 Bull, 1 Sow with 10 pigs, 2 in April and the other one is a full cow. 12 head of Durham, 10 of them are red Durhams, the other two are Holsteins. This is a fine cow breed of Holsteins. 1 Bull coming 2 years old, 1 Bull coming 1 year old, 1 Heifer coming 2 years old, 1 Heifer coming 1 year old, 1 Heifer calf, 1 Bull calf, 1 Bull coming 2 years

CUPID MAKES A CHRISTMAS CALL

SHE had written to him: "It will be seven years since you and I have been together. It seems much longer than four years since you were here, but I am sure things will appear quite as usual to you. We miss no change in our yearly program for Christmas. It is really the children's day, as it was when you and I first spent it together, if bestirred when I went in with new hour seven ago. It must be different. But I think further and as further—and I—this quite as much interest in it as proven people do in the eleven—and four for children's sake, of course.

"I would ask you to dinner immediately on your arrival Christmas eve, but if I don't want to embarrass you by a surprise there will be a little more and the presents. I simply dare not say anything more than we shall be glad to have you come as it precisely, so that we may have a little chit before the arrival of our other guests."

And indeed as he walked up the avenue with his long prairie stride Christmas eve he was dangerously full of everything in little changed from the night four years since, when he had left New York for the west to make over his life in a new manner of work and usefulness.

There was the familiar door and the old bronze doorbell knob. He had not been on a level with his eyes. And the old butler, whom the impatient had held back for four years, opened the door to his card and was greeted with a respectful "Good evening, Mr. Barnegat," giving him his Christian name as if he had called only the evening before. But the hall was hidden in a wave of evergreen and holly, and the electric bulbs glowed in their midst like huge berries in the greenery. And here he seemed suddenly a stranger coming now on the old Christmas quest to which his absence had made him an alien. It bewildered him; it saddened him.

He entered the front drawing room through the portiere which had been drawn back, and the second drawing room was packed. A dance was playing a Christmas wreath in the middle window, a woman's figure. But did not hear her. She turned to greet him with an easy, cheery, friendly, "I am so glad to see you!" and grasped his brown fingers with a warmth of her white hand.

She was not of that girlish fragility which he had remembered. She was the elder sister of that girl. It is the sweetness and pleasure of seeing him her voice and manner were like those of the girl whom he had loved—and lost four years before. He smiled at her gently. "How you have grown!" he said.

She arched her eyebrows in mock "And you?" she laughed, "why, you're as broad and brown as a wood-chuck! I suppose you've known what Tex have chopped!"

"Have I?" He caught at it eagerly. She saw the picture of himself which she carried in her memory of him, and it pained him. He had thought that his letters would have told her.

She held the wreath in his hair. "I was pretending to hang it in the window," she continued, "but that I should be the first to see you. And I didn't know you when you came in."

He smiled again, and they sat down together. "How can you be all?"

"As well as ever," she said with a sigh. "I have had them—how the children and I have been through! Mother was aging. "And father," she whispered, "is so dead. You remember?" she asked in another voice, feeling busily with the wreath.

He shook his head. "Not that I remember."

"How did you spend last Christmas?"

"In a railroad train. I had to make a trip to Frisco." He spoke abstractedly. "I haven't had a real Christmas since I went way. I felt like—I don't know what—to have the old holiday. Nice caught her breath at his tone. "Oh, did you?" she said sympathetically. "We liked it in the old way just for you—you must know that. She said this with a little tremor in her voice. "It's dreadful to be without the things you used to like."

"What was just it," he said. "Not to have them."

She spoke of what he had left away. He smiled on remembering.

SOME GIRL WAS PLAYING A CHRISTMAS WREATH IN THE WINDOW.

"Oh, you remember that his life to have had cloomed the last from his mind. He began to keep herself about the room, placing spices at the mirrors and on the mantelpiece. "Do you remember how we used to decorate together? Let me do it now."

"Do it!" he said. "Don't you let the girls do it now?"

"No," she laughed. "It's such the fun. I love to do it alone now."

"Oh, I beg your pardon," he spoke stiffly, stood, colored, and was eagerly "Can I help you?"

"Why, no, thanks," if you haven't gotten her"—

"Gotten her!" he exclaimed. "I remember the prayer piece for every boy and girl."

"Why, you have forgotten!" she said. "I'll have to hurry. They'll be in on the stroke of 12."

He brought the branches to her one by they went to work together, putting twigs of it among the brie-a-brac and in the vase, dressing sinuous ropes of the tops of the pictures and twining them in the chandeliers and every brackets. She saw him smile with a boyish pleasure as the decorations grew and was encouraged.

They stood in the center of the room at last and looked around at their work. "Now," she said, "there is still a void. "Where can I put it?"

He looked up and took her hand. She said, searching the walls with a most intent gaze. "Where can it be hidden?"

"Why," she explained, "there's the mistletoe to be hung."

He let go of her hand suddenly. "I'll get it while you're a ladder, even yet," he said, and left the room. In a few moments he returned.

"Stand on the arm of a chair."

"With my weight?" he laughed. He installed the chair for her. "Is it all right?" he asked.

He drew over a carpenter chair of puffed upholstery, with an arm as broad as a cushioned window seat. She hopped into the ample seat of it with a show of dainty slippers and put her head on his shoulder. "You will have to catch me if I fall," she smiled down on him.

He reached up and took her hand "Be careful," he said and closed a strong arm around her figure, which were trembling despite herself.

She pinned the wreath, bending, on the nine; he held the chair with his free hand and looked up at her. Then he let his head forgotten the four years that had passed.

"Her sweetness is going to—to—to-ward," she said and fell back to him again. "It's about over—I can't hold me."

He came around to the other side of her. "Put your head on my shoulder," he directed. "I have the very best bad done it before, and he hooped for the old one's. When she stood up on the arm of the chair he put his arm about her and held her there. When he reached the branch of holly into its place in the carving story and then lowered her head to his shoulder.

Their eyes were near in his eyes. His took her fingers and put them to his lips. "Thanks," he said huskily.

She slipped down in him in a moment, and he caught her in his arms. "Dear elder" she whispered, "you—you—you are not changed."

Her was not a little thing in his arms. The blood choked in his throat. "Are you sure you forgive me?" he asked quickly.

She bent and stole up, trembling in flutter a touch of pity on his brown cheek. "Forgive you," she whispered. "I forgave you the day you went away and—and—I—I—I